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## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a polynucleotide having a nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of:
- (a) a polynucleotide fragment of SEQ ID NO:1 or a polynucleotide fragment of the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No: PTA-4803, which is hybridizable to SEQ ID NO:1;
  - (b) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide fragment of SEQ ID NO:2 or a polypeptide fragment encoded by the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No: PTA-4803, which is hybridizable to SEQ ID NO:1;
- (c) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide domain of SEQ ID NO:2 or a polypeptide domain encoded by the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No: PTA-4803, which is hybridizable to SEQ ID NO:1;
  - (d) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide epitope of SEQ ID NO:2 or a polypeptide epitope encoded by the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No: PTA-4803, which is hybridizable to SEQ ID NO:1;
  - (e) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:2 or the cDNA sequence included in ATCC Deposit No: PTA-4803, which is hybridizable to SEQ ID NO:1, having phosphatase activity;
    - (f) a polynucleotide which is a variant of SEQ ID NO:1;
    - (g) a polynucleotide which is an allelic variant of SEQ ID NO:1;
  - (h) an isolated polynucleotide comprising nucleotides 29 to 763 of SEQ ID NO:1, wherein said nucleotides encode a polypeptide corresponding to amino acids 2 to 246 of SEQ ID NO:2 minus the start methionine;
- (i) an isolated polynucleotide comprising nucleotides 26 to 763 of SEQ ID
  NO:1, wherein said nucleotides encode a polypeptide corresponding to amino acids 2 to 246 of SEQ ID NO:2 including the start codon;
  - (j) a polynucleotide which represents the complimentary sequence (antisense) of SEQ ID NO:1; and
- (k) a polynucleotide capable of hybridizing under stringent conditions to any one of the polynucleotides specified in (a)-(j), wherein said polynucleotide does not hybridize under stringent conditions to a nucleic acid molecule having a nucleotide sequence of only A residues or of only T residues.

- 2. The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, wherein the polynucleotide fragment consists of a nucleotide sequence encoding a human phosphatase.
- 3. A recombinant vector comprising the isolated nucleic acid molecule of 5 claim 1.
  - 4. A recombinant host cell comprising the vector sequences of claim 3.
  - 5. An isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of:
- (a) a polypeptide fragment of SEQ ID NO:2 or the encoded sequence included in ATCC Deposit No: PTA-4803;
  - (b) a polypeptide fragment of SEQ ID NO:2 or the encoded sequence included in ATCC Deposit No: PTA-4803, having phosphatase activity;
  - (c) a polypeptide domain of SEQ ID NO:2 or the encoded sequence included in ATCC Deposit No: PTA-4803;
- 15 (d) a polypeptide epitope of SEQ ID NO:2 or the encoded sequence included in ATCC Deposit No: PTA-4803;
  - (e) a full length protein of SEQ ID NO:2 or the encoded sequence included in ATCC Deposit No: PTA-4803;
- (f) a polypeptide comprising amino acids 2 to 246 of SEQ ID NO:2,
  wherein said amino acids 2 to 246 comprising a polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:2 minus the start methionine; and
  - (g) a polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 246 of SEQ ID NO:2.
  - 6. The isolated polypeptide of claim 5, wherein the full length protein comprises sequential amino acid deletions from either the C-terminus or the N-terminus.
  - 7. An isolated antibody that binds specifically to the isolated polypeptide of claim 5.
  - 8. A recombinant host cell that expresses the isolated polypeptide of claim 5.
- 9. A method of making an isolated polypeptide comprising:
  - (a) culturing the recombinant host cell of claim 8 under conditions such that said polypeptide is expressed; and

- (b) recovering said polypeptide.
- 10. The polypeptide produced by claim 9.
- 11. A method for preventing, treating, or ameliorating a medical condition, comprising the step of administering to a mammalian subject a therapeutically effective amount of the polypeptide of claim 5, or a modulator thereof.
- 12. A method of diagnosing a pathological condition or a susceptibility to a pathological condition in a subject comprising:
- (a) determining the presence or absence of a mutation in the polynucleotide of claim 1; and
- 10 (b) diagnosing a pathological condition or a susceptibility to a pathological condition based on the presence or absence of said mutation.
  - 13. A method of diagnosing a pathological condition or a susceptibility to a pathological condition in a subject comprising:
- (a) determining the presence or amount of expression of the polypeptide of claim 5 in a biological sample; and
  - (b) diagnosing a pathological condition or a susceptibility to a pathological condition based on the presence or amount of expression of the polypeptide.
  - 14. An isolated nucleic acid molecule consisting of a polynucleotide having a nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of:
    - (a) a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:2;
  - (b) an isolated polynucleotide consisting of nucleotides 29 to 763 of SEQ ID NO:1, wherein said nucleotides encode a polypeptide corresponding to amino acids 2 to 246 of SEQ ID NO:2 minus the start codon;
- (c) an isolated polynucleotide consisting of nucleotides 26 to 763 of SEQ ID
  NO:1, wherein said nucleotides encode a polypeptide corresponding to amino acids 1 to 246 of SEQ ID NO:2 including the start codon;
  - (d) a polynucleotide encoding the BMY\_HPP13 polypeptide encoded by the cDNA clone contained in ATCC Deposit No. PTA-4803; and
- (e) a polynucleotide which represents the complimentary sequence 30 (antisense) of SEQ ID NO:1.
  - 15. The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 14, wherein the polynucleotide comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding a human phosphatase.

- 16. A recombinant vector comprising the isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 15.
  - 17. A recombinant host cell comprising the recombinant vector of claim 16.
- 18. An isolated polypeptide consisting of an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) a polypeptide fragment of SEQ ID NO:2 having phosphatase activity;
  - (b) a polypeptide domain of SEQ ID NO:2 having phosphatase activity;
  - (c) a full length protein of SEQ ID NO:2;
- (d) a polypeptide corresponding to amino acids 2 to 246 of SEQ ID NO:2,
  wherein said amino acids 2 to 246 consisting of a polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:2 minus the start methionine;
  - (e) a polypeptide corresponding to amino acids 1 to 246 of SEQ ID NO:2;
  - (f) a polypeptide encoded by the cDNA contained in ATCC Deposit No. PTA-4803.
- 19. The method of diagnosing a pathological condition of claim 12 wherein the condition is a member of the group consisting of: a disorder related to aberrant phosphatase-dependent signaling; a disorder related to aberrant phosphatase-dependent cell cycle regulation; a disorder related to aberrant dual-specificity phosphatase activity, a metabolic disorder, diabetes, cardiovascular disorders, immune disorders, gastrointestinal disorders, and female reproductive disorders.
  - 20. The method for preventing, treating, or ameliorating a medical condition of claim 11, wherein the medical condition is selected from the group consisting of: aberrant phosphatase-dependent signaling; a disorder related to aberrant phosphatase-dependent cell cycle regulation; a disorder related to aberrant dual-specificity phosphatase activity, a metabolic disorder, diabetes, cardiovascular disorders, immune disorders, gastrointestinal disorders, and female reproductive disorders.
  - 21. A method of isolating phosphoproteins or phosphopeptides comprising the steps of passing a sample over a catalytically inactive mutant of the polypeptide provided in SEQ ID NO:2 bound to a support, washing sample material away that did not bind to said polypeptide, and isolating said bound sample by subjecting said bound sample / polypeptide complex under conditions in which said bound sample is released.

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- 22. A computer for producing a three-dimensional representation of a molecule or molecular complex, wherein said molecule or molecular complex comprises the structural coordinates of the BMY\_HPP13 model provided in Figure 8 in accordance with Table IV wherein said computer comprises:
- (a) A machine-readable data storage medium, comprising a data storage material encoded with machine readable data, wherein the data is defined by the set of structure coordinates of the model;
- (b) a working memory for storing instructions for processing said machinereadable data;
- 10 (c) a central-processing unit coupled to said working memory and to said machine-readable data storage medium for processing said machine readable data into said three-dimensional representation; and
  - (d) a display coupled to said central-processing unit for displaying said three-dimensional representation.
  - 23. A method for identifying a mutant with altered biological properties, function, or activity of BMY\_HPP13 wherein said method comprises the steps of:
    - (a) using a model of said polypeptide according to the structural coordinates of said model to identify amino acids to mutate; and
  - (b) mutating said amino acids to create a mutant protein with altered biological function or properties.
    - 24. A method for designing or selecting compounds as potential modulators of BMY\_HPP13 wherein said method comprises the steps of:
    - (a) identifying a structural or chemical feature of said member using the structural coordinates of said member; and
  - (b) rationally designing compounds that bind to said feature.